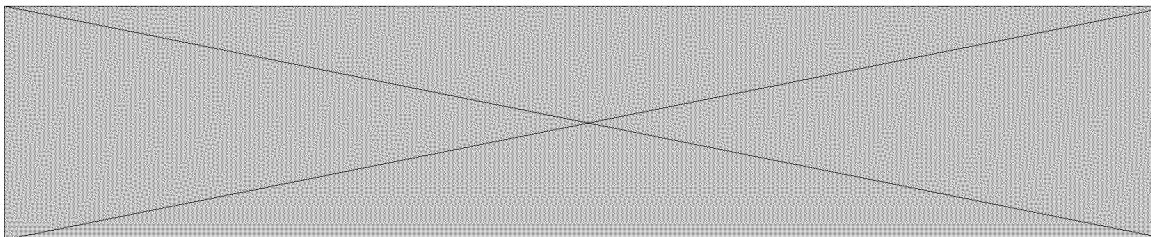


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The Animas spill link below goes to an HCN article with the most historical and background information I've seen yet in the media. And clearly written by our buddies: "Really, though, the EPA wasn't the root cause of the emergency."

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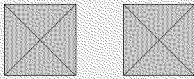
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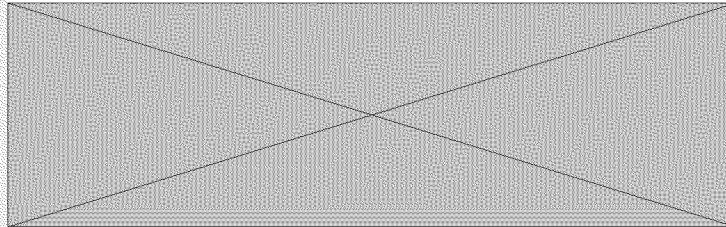


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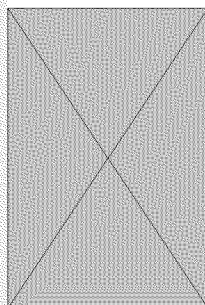
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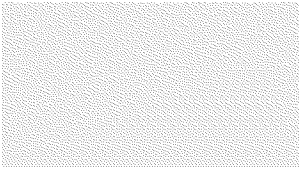


Read on to learn more about our important work.

Blog from the Executive Director, Scott Strand



MCEA's Executive Director, Scott Strand, blogs regularly. [Check it out today](#) to learn more about the issues and his perspective on where MCEA can influence better outcomes.



You can now subscribe to [Scott's Blog](#) and [MCEA Recent News](#) via RSS feed as well.

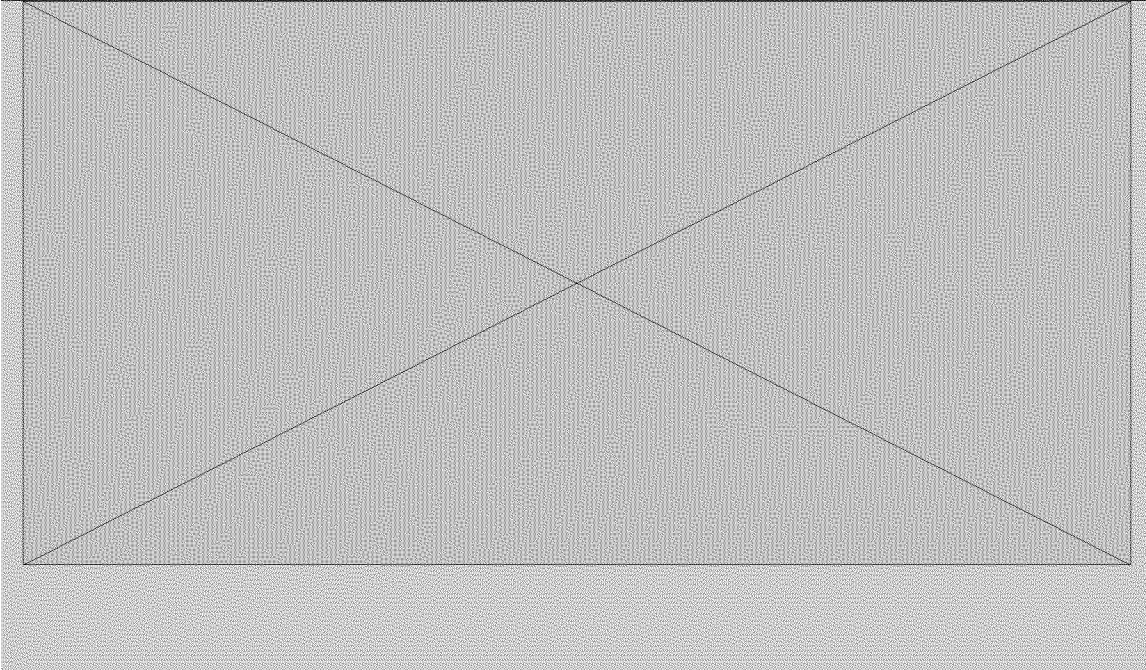
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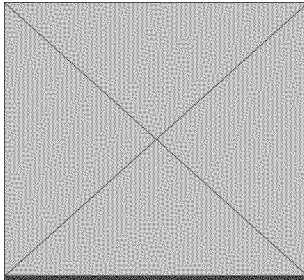
Colorado's Gold King Mine Spill

[The Animas River in Colorado](#) turned an unnatural mustard yellow with toxic mine waste after a breach in a dam at the Gold King mine last week. One of the challenges with mining is that pollution persists for decades or centuries after mining stops. Today, the residents of Durango, Colorado are still dealing with the toxins from this 100-year-old mine.

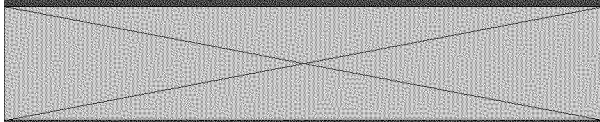
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Tickets Now Available for Legally Green 2015!





Save the date! Join us from 6:00 - 9:00 PM on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at the Anderson Student Center of the University of St. Thomas' St. Paul campus, for **MCEA's Annual Legally Green Gala: A Dinner Party for the Planet.**



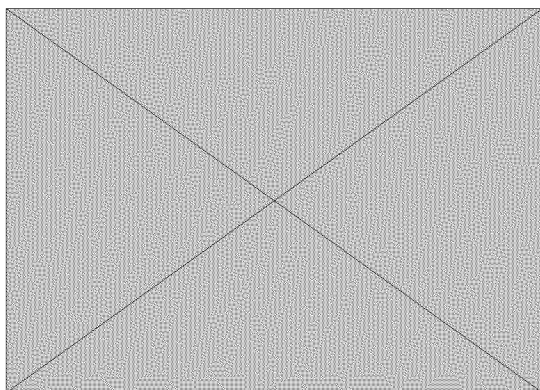
This year's event will feature **"Why Bees are Disappearing - and how a Minnesota researcher is helping them help themselves,"** by Dr. Marla Spivak, Ph.D., Director of the University of Minnesota Bee Lab and MacArthur Fellow.

Spivak's research focuses on honey bees' natural defenses against diseases and parasites; their social health care. About one-third of our diet depends on bee pollination, yet bees are dying off at unprecedented rates. Just as we need good clean food, so do bees. Learn how planting floral-rich and pesticide-free landscapes can help bees help themselves.

This fun and festive event, held at the Anderson Center - Woulfe Alumni Hall on the St. Paul campus of St. Thomas University, includes a social, dinner, lively fundraising activities, and keynote presentation.

Online tickets are now available! [Get yours here.](#)

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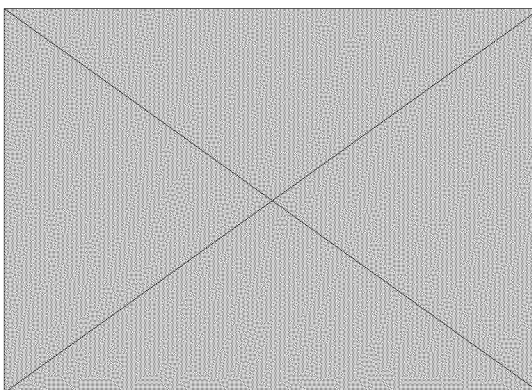
Join us as we gather with MCEA donors and friends at the Grand Ely Lodge on Sunday, August 30th from 4:00-6:00 PM! Enjoy refreshments and conversation as we learn from MCEA's staff attorney Kathryn Hoffman about MCEA's mission to keep our land, air, and water clean, and how you can help.

The Details:

Sunday, August 30th
4:00-6:00 PM
Ely Grand Lodge
400 N. Pioneer Rd., Ely, MN

More information [available on our website](#).

The event is free, but reservations are required! RSVP by Tuesday, August 25th to ElyEvent@mncenter.org.



Join us as we gather with MCEA donors and friends at Tycoons in Downtown Duluth on Monday, August 31st from 4:00 - 6:00 PM! Enjoy refreshments and conversation as we learn from MCEA's executive director Scott Strand and staff attorney Kathryn Hoffman about MCEA's mission to keep our land, air, and water clean, and how you can help.

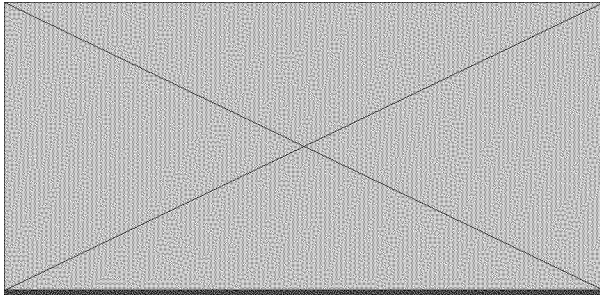
The Details:

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Tycoons-Downtown Duluth
132 E. Superior St.

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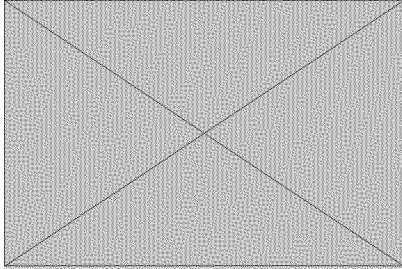
Consider a Planned Gift to MCEA



If you are thinking about updating your will or changing your estate plan, please consider including a gift to MCEA.

It's easy to designate a charitable bequest in your will for MCEA. You'll be helping to assure that Minnesota's natural resources are protected for generations to come. To learn more, [click here](#).

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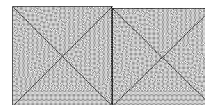


To celebrate the 40th anniversary of MCEA, we created a booklet outlining 40 of our greatest accomplishments over the past 40 years. Would you like to receive your very own **FREE** copy? Just send an email with your name and address to 40in40@mncenter.org!

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